

# Exhibit 17

Philip G Wong/HBUS/HSBC  
09/11/2006 05:30 PM

To amy.s.ku@us.hsbc.com

cc

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Subject Re: Minimum Production - Philip G Wong

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yes I know!!!  
Will do!

Amy S Ku/HBUS/HSBC

09/11/2006 05:25 PM

To Philip G Wong/HBUS/HSBC@HSBC

cc Jeff Needham/HBUS/HSBC@HSBC

Subject Minimum Production - Philip G Wong

Please respond to  
amy.s.ku@us.hsbc.com by 09/12/2006

Dear Philip,

Per our conversation today, senior management has approved to extend/renew the probation/forgivable draw for you until 12-31-2006.

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With Fremont branch opening on 10-9-06, there will be plenty of opportunity to talk to new HSBC clients. New streamline processing and products are coming our way and therefore giving us the chance to shine! But don't wait another day, go get the applications and as always, I am just a phone call away.

\* Please reply this email to acknowledge your minimum production requirement.

Thanks!

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Amy S Ku/HBUS/HSBC

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Please respond to  
amy.s.ku@us.hsbc.com by  
09/12/2006

To: Frederic Y Chaussy/HBUS/HSBC@HSBC

cc: Jeff Needham/HBUS/HSBC@HSBC

bcc:

Subject: Minimum Production - Frederic Chaussy.

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